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SCOTLAND.

Report from Glasgow—Seven new cases of plague and 2 deaths.

GLASGOW, SCOTLAND, September 18, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report for this station: There have been 7 cases of plague reported since my last report, so that the number now stands at 22. One new case has resulted fatally. These new cases do not represent any new focus of infection. One employee at the hospital has had a mild attack, and this some days after she had been injected with Yersin's serum. The case was, however, very mild. The case that was removed to hospital in a very critical condition died next day.

The general situation, therefore, remains practically unchanged, and, I think, isolated cases may appear occasionally for some time to come. In regard to inoculations, I may say that the Haffkine serum has not been used here because of the reaction which follows. After the use of Yersin's serum there has been a great uniformity in symptoms. There was slight soreness for a day or two, and at the end of eight days there has commonly been some urticaria and less commonly joint pains. A local dermatitis has probably been due to the disinfectant used on the arm.

During the week ended September 15, 7 vessels were inspected, 2 of which were bound for Canadian ports. These vessels carried 662 cabin and 72 steerage passengers and 48 cattlemen. The total of crews inspected was 463. Of the above, 4 cabin passengers were rejected for varicella and 2 of crew for slight elevation of temperature. Ninety pieces of baggage were inspected and 30 disinfected.

Regarding freight, the prohibition of rags and similar articles will greatly injure the business of several firms here. * * * I think an effort will be made to ship this class of articles via another port. They of course can not be shipped to Canada while I am inspecting vessels bound for that country. I may state in this connection that having no instructions regarding what regulations the Canadian Government wished to have enforced, I have treated them exactly as vessels bound for the United States. Regarding freight manifests, I would state that at least 1 line sailing from this port does not prepare a manifest before sailing, the final manifest being made up here and sent by mail. The consul does not sign manifests. I should like to inquire how soon the Canadian official is expected to arrive?

I have just learned that another death has occurred among the plague cases leaving only 21 in hospital.

Respectfully,

A. R. THOMAS,

Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.**Vessels from Glasgow bound for American ports.*

[Cablegram.]

GLASGOW, SCOTLAND, September 27, 1900.

Sailed to-day, *State of Nebraska*, from Glasgow; *City of Rome*, from Greenock, for New York.

THOMAS.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

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GLASGOW, *September 29, 1900.*

Sailed to-day from Glasgow, *Corean*, for Philadelphia; *Pomeranian*, for Montreal.

THOMAS.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

GLASGOW, *October 1, 1900.*

Sailed to-day *Sir Richard Granville*, Philadelphia, from Glasgow.

THOMAS.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

WEST AFRICA.

Sierra Leone raises quarantine against Gambia imposed on account of yellow fever.

SIERRA LEONE, *August 28, 1900.*

SIR: Referring to my No. 55, dated June 21, 1900, in which I reported that Sierra Leone had quarantined against the colony of Gambia and the French colonies of Goree-Dakar, and Rufisque, on account of yellow fever prevailing there, I now have the honor to inform you that the quarantine, as regards Gambia, has been raised since the 15th ultimo.

I have also to report that the governor of Sierra Leone has caused public notice to be issued under date of the 9th ultimo for the information of the masters of all vessels entering ports within the jurisdiction of the colony of Sierra Leone. Notice in duplicate herewith inclosed.

Respectfully,

JOHT T. WILLIAMS,
United States Consul.

HON. ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF STATE.

[Inclosure.]

Public notice.

FREETOWN, SIERRA LEONE, *July 9, 1900.*

It is hereby notified for general information that the masters of all vessels, including coasting and other small crafts, arriving at any port within the jurisdiction of the colony of Sierra Leone from any foreign port or place, are required to produce clean bills of health from the port from which they sailed and from their ports of call during the voyage, before they can be granted pratique.

Vessels arriving in port are to hoist the quarantine flag until authorized to haul it down by the visiting officer.

By his excellency's command,

J. EUGENE DAWSON,
Harbor Master.